

# House Concurrent Resolution No. 27

## 91<sup>ST</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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1 **Whereas**, a prayer day was first proclaimed by the Continental Congress in 1775; and

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3 **Whereas**, the National Association for Prayer has proclaimed and declared the week of  
4 the National Prayer Day (the first Thursday in May) as a Prayer Week; and

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6 **Whereas**, it is fitting that the state of Missouri observe a day when we acknowledge our  
7 many blessings and express gratitude to God while recognizing the need to strengthen the religious and  
8 moral values in our land; and

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10 **Whereas**, the National Association for Prayer promotes a Statewide Prayer Day in  
11 Missouri to bring peace, unity and healing to our people; and

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13 **Whereas**, a number of states across America will recognize the power of prayer by  
14 participating in bringing people together to pray for our schools, cities, states and nation. Many  
15 committees, organizations and civic groups will also participate in this event, knowing that prayer  
16 changes people and things and creates hope; and

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18 **Whereas**, the Missouri General Assembly encourages students to begin their school day  
19 with the Pledge of Allegiance, anchored with a moment of silence for good thoughts, which will begin  
20 the school day on a positive note and will introduce a worthy patriotic program forgotten by many. The  
21 Missouri General Assembly invites universities, colleges and other institutions of higher education to  
22 be a good example to follow. All of these steps should help instill some traditional values and morals,  
23 which are much needed in this climate of recent violence:

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25 **Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the members of the House of  
26 Representatives of the Ninety-first General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate concurring

27 therein, hereby declare the first day of May, 2001, to be a Statewide Prayer Day in Missouri and urge  
28 all citizens of this state to join together in their homes, schools and places of business to pray for  
29 blessings on our schools, cities, states and nation.

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31 **Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of  
32 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Governor Bob  
33 Holden.